

Missouri State Library

LSTA State FY2023 Project Plan

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**LSTA Grant Projects – Funding from Federal FY 2022
(To be spent in State FY2023 – July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023)**

Note, all budget figures are estimates and subject to change based on actual contract quotes and grant applications received and awarded.

LSTA Statewide Projects

Missouri State Library Goal 1: Building and Sustaining Information Resources

LSTA Priority 1: Expand Services for Learning and Access to Information

LSTA Priority 2: Establish or Enhance Electronic Access to Library and Information Services

**Show Me the World Courier Service
Proposed Budget: \$568,418**

CONTINUING

The State Library will continue to support a two-day per week courier service for tax-supported public libraries which meet transaction benchmarks to make the service fiscally sound. Providing state funding for the courier service improves turn-around time for interlibrary loan (ILL) requests, streamlines and improves library staff workflows, increases the number of loans and requests, lowers the cost for each ILL transaction and helps to equalize access to resources for medium-size and small libraries. In FY2021, 1,046,790 items were exchanged among libraries in the state.

The State Library may also provide one additional day of courier service per week for libraries that show the potential to benefit from an additional day of service based on current use.

**Show Me the World Integrated Library System Consortium
Proposed Budget: \$98,365**

CONTINUING

This project continues support for the Missouri Evergreen consortium for the purposes of acquiring and implementing a shared integrated library system (ILS). This system improves discovery and sharing of library resources and provides a low-cost alternative to systems owned and managed individually by libraries. There are currently 58 public libraries in Missouri Evergreen, with a total collection size of 3,893,517 items. The consortium recruits primarily from public libraries, but could include school and special libraries as well. This is the tenth successive award to provide funding for ILS hosting and support to the consortium. Last year MOSL began funding migrations to Missouri Evergreen through a direct grant to the library, rather than through this project.

**Show Me the World Interlibrary Loan
Proposed Budget: \$332,937.80**

CONTINUING

This program facilitates resource sharing by public libraries in Missouri and beyond, giving the ability for library staff and patrons to search a 3 billion record database of library materials. The State Library uses LSTA funds to pay for licenses for public libraries to use OCLC's FirstSearch and WorldShare Discovery services, and 85% of the cost for public libraries to use OCLC's interlibrary loan service. In FY21, patrons from 92 libraries requested 144,257 items for their users and loaned 95,243 items through this service. Not included in the proposed budget above, is the FY23 first quarter payment which will be paid with funds remaining in the FY22 budget. The total FY23 annual cost is \$443,917.07.

Statewide Digitization Project
Proposed Budget: \$58,367

CONTINUING

This project provides basic support and guidance for the Missouri Digital Heritage (MDH) portal based in the Office of the Secretary of State/Missouri State Library. The number of items accessible through MDH CONTENTdm passed 8 million items during SFY2022. In addition, MDH includes collections hosted at other institutions and resources from the Missouri State Archives. Students, researchers, the general public, county and local governments, public, academic and school libraries and local historical societies use these resources to explore the richness of Missouri's history and culture. The Missouri State Archives is a primary project partner, which contributes its own collections. Emphasis will continue to be placed on multi-partner projects on topics of statewide interest. In SFY2019, a partnership with the State Historical Society of Missouri was created to provide a more strategic approach for newspaper additions to MDH. This partnership will continue in SFY2023

The State Library, as part of the Missouri Hub of the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA), will continue to monitor opportunities for ingests into the DPLA platform.

Statewide digitization project expenses will include the Missouri Digital Heritage database hosted service and a federated search product that acts as a web portal to all Missouri Digital Heritage collections, and may also support promotional and training efforts.

Websites for Small Libraries
Proposed Budget: \$12,360

CONTINUING

A public library website is fundamental to a library's information resources. When the project started there were approximately 25 libraries without websites. In addition, there are approximately 30 public libraries in Missouri with underdeveloped websites or have websites with platform issues. The goal of this project is to create a website template which public libraries with no or poor quality websites can use to provide or improve 24/7 access to the library catalog and other electronic resources, and information about library resources, services, and programs. Since the inception of the project, 10 library websites have been created.

Missouri State Library Goal 2: Targeting Library and Information Services

LSTA Priority 5: Supporting an Educated and Informed Citizenry

LSTA Priority 6: Serving the Underserved

STEM Kits

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$13,600

The Missouri State Library will create and circulate STEM kits to school and public libraries, in order to provide easy, hands-on learning opportunities. The target audience is all ages, but library staff will likely use these kits most frequently to provide programming and classroom projects for children ages 6-18. In SFY 2023, four new kit types will be added to the collection, six LEGO Education SPIKE Prime robotics kits, three Keva Planks kits, three magnetic science kits, and three giant polydron kits.

Strengthen Missourians

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$82,000

Strengthen Missourians is a statewide project to address the needs of veterans. Veterans assistance will include live online navigators to help veterans and families connect with benefits and resources; job tools including career coaching, resume assistance, and interview preparation; and resources to help veterans build academic skills to prepare for college.

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$402,821

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library provides services for persons who have print disabilities whether physical or organic. Services include circulation of materials in digital audio, digital and physical braille, and physical large print. Wolfner also offers reader advisory assistance, an early literacy program for young children, summer reading programs for patrons age 18 and under, an adult winter reading program, adult book clubs, virtual author visits, programs and more. There are currently 6,422 active individual patrons plus 693 institutions using Wolfner Library, with an annual circulation of 622,757 items. Library staff will continue to expand their outreach efforts to increase their number of users, with a target growth of a 5% increase of institutions and an 8% increase in circulation in FY2023. Wolfner staff will continue to upload locally recorded materials to BARD, so that they are more easily accessible to all National Library Service users; and continue their relationship with healthcare and school professionals that are potential certifying agents for Wolfner Library Services.

Missouri State Library Goal 3: Strengthening the Library Workforce
LSTA Priority 3: Provide Training and Professional Development for the Library Workforce and Leadership

Library Staff and Administration Skills Training
Proposed Budget: \$71,089

CONTINUING

Library skills trainings are designed to deliver instruction on basic and advanced levels. Basic skills training will predominantly be available to paraprofessional library staff through the Alternative Basic Library Education (ABLE) and Library Learning Online (LLO) resources produced by the Idaho Commission for Libraries. However, basic topics pertaining specifically to Missouri issues may be held via multi-day intensive training sessions, webinars or single day regional workshops and be led by Library Development staff.

Potential topics for advanced skills trainings include Homeless Training Institute (\$12,069), Early Literacy Refresh (\$13,290), Professional Development Collection (\$5,000), and School Librarian Basics Workshops (\$4,500). Other topics may also be presented, but are expected to make use of existing or new partnerships and are not expected to incur a cost. Trainings may be held via regional workshops, webinars, or webcasts and/or through the provision of resources.

Continuing Education for Academic Library Staff
Proposed Budget: \$25,000

CONTINUING

In partnership with MOBIUS, funding is provided for the Annual MOBIUS Users' Conference, one of the largest educational events for academic librarians in Missouri. The conference program enhances skills and abilities in the use of the Common Library Platform system to provide students effective access to library content. Other learning sessions address topics such as digitization, student instruction, developing collections, and improving searching through cataloging. As a result of conference attendance, librarians are better educated and equipped to provide improved library service to their academic communities.

The conference is planned by a MOBIUS committee, but also provides a strong partnership opportunity for the Missouri State Library. The 2021 conference was held virtually and offered 36 sessions over three days. A total of 1,937 live attendances occurred with a range of 23 to 136 persons per session. The 2022 Conference will be held in-person. The conference budget is also supported through exhibits, vendor contributions, and MOBIUS funds.

The State Library responsibility involves monitoring the conference to ensure LSTA compliance, promoting the event, and funding through the LSTA program.

Children and Youth Services Training
Proposed Budget: \$23,000

NEW

Youth Services webinars, webcasts and workshops will help public library staff develop or improve skills needed to implement or expand programs in their libraries to address the service needs of the children and youth in their communities. Topics for SFY2023 will include: Summer Library Program webinars/workshops; Rethinking Neutrality with Kristin Fontichiaro, Clinical Professor of Information University of Michigan; STEM/STEAM (Reimagining School Readiness Toolkit); Every Child Ready to Read 2 Early Literacy training, Library website basics (including school library); Making Your Library's Press Releases More Effective with Kathy Dempsey; and Teen Programming with Purpose.

Missouri State Library: Overarching Programs

Library Development

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$29,500

The Missouri State Library provides information and assistance to libraries on expanding services for learning and access to information and educational resources, on using technologies to expand electronic networks and provide electronic and other linkages among all types of libraries, on developing public and private partnerships, and on providing library services for persons meeting the LSTA criteria for targeted assistance. In addition to consultant services, staff manages statewide projects, prepares publications, and offers statistical support. Additionally, this project includes funding for the online grant management system.

Statewide Projects

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$49,004.20

Missouri State Library administered projects, contracts or subgrants to promote standards and best practices and to encourage and support networking, collaboration and resource sharing among Missouri's libraries. Projects must meet goals and objectives of the Missouri State Library LSTA Program Five-Year Plan for Years 2018-2022. Applications are available on an inquiry or invitation basis as funds allow.

Competitive Grants

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Digital Imaging Grants

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$126,176

This grant provides funding for scanning, cataloging and Web delivery of significant historical and cultural materials in Missouri and in Missouri history. Grants are restricted to projects involving original source materials. Priorities include importance of the collection including demonstration of patron demand; institutions doing their first project; demonstration projects that document best practices; projects involving underserved partners; and institutions adding metadata to existing digital collections. High priority is given to multi-partner projects on topics of statewide interest including newspaper digitization, which is overseen by the State Historical Society of Missouri. Three proposals were due in February 2022 for projects beginning April 2023.

Library Automation Grants

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$171,000

Funding to facilitate automation of libraries that do not have an online catalog and for migration from one system to the next for libraries improving online access to collections. Priority will be given to libraries migrating to Missouri Evergreen. Anticipated costs include new technology or software, barcoding supplies, staff support, and other migration- or automation-related expenses.

Technology Ladder Grants

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$217,482

This grant program helps public libraries improve their computer security, network performance, and provide reasonable computer resources to their patrons. Proposals were due in March 2022 for projects beginning April 2022.

Technology Mini-Grant Grants

CONTINUING

Proposed Budget: \$350,000

This grant is open to qualified public libraries needing to replace, upgrade or add new equipment or software. Projects should be of short duration including compilation of adequate evaluation measures. Proposals will likely be due in October 2022 for projects beginning December 2022.

Missouri State Library Goal 2: Targeting Library and Information Services

LSTA Priority 5: Supporting an Educated and Informed Citizenry

LSTA Priority 6: Serving the Underserved

Educational Presenter Grant

Proposed Budget: \$60,000

CONTINUING

In SFY22 the Author Visit Grant and the Bicentennial Programs Grant were combined into the Educational Presenter Grant. This grant provides funds to bring an author presentation or an educational presentation to the community. Collaboration between local school and public libraries is strongly encouraged. Grant funds may be used for author fees, publicity and promotional items, collection development materials, additional staff hours to implement the project, and costs to transport youth from school, day camp or a licensed childcare agency. Projects that include collaboration between local, academic, school and/or public libraries will be given high priority.

Spotlight on Literacy Grants

Proposed Budget: \$60,427

CONTINUING

This grant program offers Missouri public libraries, academic libraries, and secondary or post-secondary school libraries the opportunity to serve patrons of all ages through programs that support an educated and informed citizenry. Programs must address a single target audience and literacy area, such as early literacy, digital literacy, STEM literacy, health literacy, financial literacy, civic literacy, cultural literacy, career literacy, etc. Collaborative efforts to better serve low-literacy populations are strongly encouraged. Applications were due in January 2022 for projects beginning March 2022.

Summer Library Program Grants

Proposed Budget: \$295,000

CONTINUING

Summer Library Program grants provide libraries with additional funds to expand opportunities for people of all ages to improve their reading skills, enrich summer learning experiences, and enhance opportunities for libraries to reach underserved summer populations. Applications will likely be due in October 2022 for projects beginning February 2023.

Next Chapter Development Grant

Proposed Budget: \$10,000

CONTINUING

The Next Chapter Development grant is the practical application of the four-part Inclusive Library learning series where library staff will be encouraged and equipped to provide a Next Chapter Book Club for adults with disabilities. Approximately 20, \$500 grants will be awarded to public libraries which have staff attend the training and establish Next Chapter Book Clubs.

High School Equivalency Support

Proposed Budget: \$52,500

NEW

The Missouri State Library will partner with Missouri's Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MO DESE) to promote their MOlearns free high school equivalency (HSE) program and encourage public libraries to support this effort as they are able. Additionally, the Missouri State Library will investigate, obtain and promote an online platform that helps individuals attain their HSE certification with support from their local public library in order to offer individuals seeking HSE certification to have multiple paths available, increase public library staff confidence and knowledge about HSE programs and resources, and enable public library staff to implement programs at the local level to help individuals obtain their HSE certification.

Missouri State Library Goal 3: Strengthening the Library Workforce

LSTA Priority 3: Provide Training and Professional Development for the Library Workforce and Leadership

Show-Me Steps to Continuing Education
Proposed Budget: \$30,000

CONTINUING

These grants provide financial assistance for Missouri library personnel and public library trustees to participate in continuing education and training opportunities, with some match of funds by local institutions. Trainings can be for individuals or groups. Applications are accepted throughout the year.

Missouri State Library: Overarching Sub-Grant Programs

Other

As funds allow, the State Library may also develop other competitive sub-grant programs to address timely library service needs that meet LSTA priorities and Missouri State Library goals, and are in accord with Missouri's LSTA FY2018-2022 Plan.

PROGRAM	BUDGETS	PROJECT BREAKOUT
BASIC TECHNOLOGY AND ONLINE RESOURCES	\$567,482.00	
Technology Ladder Grants		\$217,482.00
Technology Mini-Grant Grants		\$350,000.00
CONTINUING EDUCATION	\$201,589.00	
Early Literacy Refresh Resources and Training		\$13,290.00
Homeless Training Institute		\$12,069.00
Library Staff and Administration Skills Training		\$36,230.00
MOBIUS Conference		\$25,000.00
Professional Development Collection		\$5,000.00
High School Equivalency Support		\$52,500.00
School Librarian Basics Workshops		\$4,500.00
Children and Youth Services Training		\$23,000.00
Show Me Steps to Career Development		\$30,000.00
LIBRARY PROGRAMS	\$70,000.00	
E-Collection and Next Chapter Development Grants		\$10,000.00
Educational Presenter Grant		\$60,000.00
LITERACY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE	\$491,027.00	
Spotlight on Literacy Grants		\$60,427.00
Summer Library Program Grants		\$295,000.00
Strengthen Missourians (Vets Now)		\$82,000.00
STEM Kits		\$13,600.00
STATEWIDE DIGITIZATION	\$184,543.00	
Digital Imaging Grants		\$126,176.00
Missouri Digital Heritage		\$58,367.00
SHOW-ME THE WORLD	\$1,142,710.90	
Courier Service		\$568,418.00
Integrated Library System Consortium (Evergreen)		\$98,365.00
Library Automation Grants		\$171,000.00
Statewide Show Me the World (OCLC)		\$332,937.80
Library Websites (PLOUD)		\$12,360.00
WOLFNER LIBRARY SERVICES	\$402,821.00	
P/S Facilities		\$358,821.00
E/E		\$44,000.00
LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT	\$29,500.00	

LSTA Administration including Sec Council and Grant Management System		\$9,000.00
LD staff and resource development, including Clippings		\$15,000.00
LD Operation Support-Telecommunications, printing, mail, tech support		\$5,500.00
OTHER	\$49,004.20	
	TOTAL	\$ 3,139,047.00